

This requirement is offered to all qualified responsive concerns and offers will be considered using a tiered order of precedence: 1st - Very Small Business, 2nd - 8(a) certified small businesses, 3rd - Small Businesses to include Service Disabled Veterans and Women Own Businesses and, 4th - Large Businesses).

### **Utilizing Tiered Evaluations**

- 1) This SIR will evaluate offers in a Tiered process. Offers from other than small business concerns will only be considered after the determination that an insufficient number of offers from responsible small business certified concerns were received.
- 2) The order of Tiered precedence is:
  - a) Very Small Business
  - b) 8(a) Certified Small Business
  - c) Small Business to Include Service Disabled Veterans & Women Owned Business
  - d) Large Business
- 3) Once all offers are received, each single tier of offers will be evaluated according to the order of precedence specified in the SIR. If no award can be made at the first tier, then the evaluation will proceed to the next tier until award can be made.

A determination of insufficient competition or unreasonable price will be made before the next tier is evaluated:

Contract award will be based on the lowest firm fixed price, technically acceptable offer.

To be considered for award of this project, the contractor must register in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) database (website: [www.ccr.gov](http://www.ccr.gov)).

To view the solicitation and applicable attachments for this procurement, please visit: <http://faaco.faa.gov/index.cfm>, Select "Current Announcements" and then select "Southern Region."

### **Notice:**

This notice is for informational purposes for Minority, Women-Owned and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises: The Department of Transportation (DOT), Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, has a program to assist small businesses, small businesses owned and controlled by a socially and economically disadvantaged individuals, and women-own concerns to acquire short-term working capital assistance for transportation -related contracts. Loans are available under the DOT Short Term Lending Program (STLP) at the prime interest rate to provide accounts receivable financing. The maximum line of credit is \$750,000. For further information an applicable forms concerning the STLP, call the OSDPU at (800) 532-1169.

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